

Congress of the United States House of Representatives Washington, D.C. 20515

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The Honorable Matt Cartwright
Chairman
Committee on Appropriations
Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science and
Related Agencies
U.S House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Robert Aderholt
Ranking Member
Committee on Appropriations
Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science and
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Dear Chair Cartwright and Ranking Member Aderholt:

As you begin crafting the fiscal year 2023 appropriations bill, I respectfully request that you give consideration to the following funding priorities

Provide a funding level of \$300,000 for improving the critical IT infrastructure of the Clay County Sheriff's Office as a community project funding request.

The intended recipient is the Clay County Sheriff's office located at 295 Courthouse Drive Hayesville, NC 28904. The project would be a valuable use of taxpayer funds because the funding would be used to enhance community policing for Clay County, North Carolina. This center would represent a significant investment in the safety and security of citizens in Clay County. The IT infrastructure of The Clay County Sheriff's Office requires an upgrade to replace materials that have been degraded over time and are out of compliance with current standards. The new materials that this appropriation will provide will eliminate unnecessary work stoppages and help eliminate the rising costs that result from the continuous maintenance of antiquated equipment. The Clay County Sheriff's Office protects the lives and property of citizens and with this new technology will possess modern tools to continue to excel at their work. Public safety is a paramount concern for all citizens. Equipping law enforcement with up-to-date IT infrastructure and advanced technology in the performance of their daily duties is not a want, it is a necessity.

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in this project. The new materials that this appropriation will provide will eliminate unnecessary work stoppages and help eliminate the rising costs that result from the continuous maintenance of antiquated equipment.

Thank you for your consideration of these requests.

Madison Cauthon

Sincerely,

Madison Cawthorn Member of Congress